

Region 3 GPRA Baseline RCRA Corrective Action Facility

CLEAN HARBORS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.

7515 Harvest Road
Prince George, VA 23875
Congressional District 4
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Topographic Location Map



Current RCRA CA Activities

RCRA Corrective Action (CA) activities at the Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc. (Clean Harbors) facility in Prince George, Virginia, are being conducted under the direction of the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). The CA investigations and any necessary clean up activities are being implemented in accordance with the conditions and requirements of the EPA Region III Facility Lead Agreement (FLA). The FLA approach encourages RCRA Corrective Action facilities to take the lead in addressing corrective action using a generic, non-enforceable, agreement which includes the same requirements, and relies on the same scope of work and policy as a permit or an order. By agreeing to participate in the Facility Lead Corrective Action Program with EPA, the Facility commits to:

- Determine the extent and sources of all releases of hazardous wastes or hazardous waste constituents at or from the Facility using quality data.
- Evaluate and meet EPA's Environmental Indicators.
- Perform interim measures at the Facility to prevent or mitigate unacceptable threats to human health and the environment by: 1) controlling human exposures, and 2) controlling migration of any groundwater contamination at or from the Facility from releases of hazardous wastes or hazardous constituents.
- Conduct effective public involvement.
- Communicate regularly to EPA, the State, and the community on corrective action progress at the facility.

Under the FLA, the EPA agrees to provide an appropriate level of oversight to assist the facility to meet these goals. The EPA has delegated the primary oversight responsibilities for this site to the DEQ.

Site Description

The facility is located at 7515 Harvest Road, in Prince George, Virginia, and began operation as Belpar Environmental in the 1980's, and was acquired by Chemical Waste Management (CWM) of Oak Brook, Illinois. CWM submitted a Hazardous Waste Permit Part A Application in January 1992. CWM operations at the site included lab packaging, underground storage tank removal and installation services, processing, storage, and transportation of waste, and acceptance of waste oil, which was subsequently shipped off-site for treatment and/or disposal.

Clean Harbors began leasing the property in September 1994, when it purchased the operations from CWM. The 3.29-acre property is leased from A.A. Forbes of Prince George, Virginia. Clean Harbors operated the facility under Interim Status, and submitted a Part B Application in February 1997. During Clean Harbor's operation, the site has been used as a hazardous and non-hazardous waste storage and treatment facility. Clean Harbors subsequently withdrew the part B Application on August 27, 2001, after undergoing RCRA closure of the tank farm, and operated as a wastewater treatment facility regulated under the Clean Water Act (CWA) until 2004. The site is currently used as a service center for oil and hazardous material spill response activities and scheduled environmental services.

The site is located in Forbes Industrial Park, within a lightly developed agricultural/residential/industrial region of Prince George, Virginia. The industrial park is located along Route 156, approximately 20 miles southeast of Richmond, and within 0.5 mile of the Hopewell city limits. The site is topographically relatively flat and lies at an elevation of approximately 130 feet above mean sea level. There are no waterways or wetlands on the site. A surface water surface impoundment is located on the adjacent property east of the facility site; the surface impoundment receives stormwater from the Clean Harbors facility and other adjacent properties in the Forbes Industrial Park.

There are two buildings located on the northwest portion of the site. The larger building is a 5,000 square-foot one story metal building which houses a former laboratory, a boiler, and general maintenance equipment and supplies. The second building is comprised of two large trailers and is used as office space.

A 5,000-gallon diesel aboveground storage tank (AST) is located west of the main building, and currently contains fuel for equipment and vehicles. One inactive hazardous waste AST and four inactive non-hazardous waste ASTs are located in a concrete-lined tank farm located southeast of the main building. The tank farm was RCRA “clean closed” in 2001. Two 20,000-gallon fractionation (frac) tanks are located southwest of the tank farm, and are used to temporarily hold stormwater that collects in the tank farm and an adjacent containment dike.

The active portion of the site, where treatment and storage of hazardous waste has occurred, is located on the southern portion of the property and is completely enclosed by a chain-link fence. A 60-foot by 65-foot concrete pad is located on the eastern portion of the site and is currently used to park box trailers, where truck to truck transfer operations occur. Empty roll-off containers are stored along the southern fence line of the site. West of the roll-off containers are large capacity decommissioned ASTs awaiting disposal. A large metal solidification pan, currently not in use, is stored adjacent to these ASTs. North of this area is a sea van used for storage of supplies, and northwest of the sea van is a storage shed and canopy used for additional storage of spill response supplies. With the exception of the concrete pad, the tank farm and containment dike, the site is unpaved and covered with gravel, soil, or vegetation.

During CWM’s operation of the facility, solid and hazardous waste treatment and storage was conducted in two areas: in the tank farm and on the concrete pad in the eastern portion of the facility. During Clean Harbors operation, hazardous waste processes continued in the tank farm until 2001, when the tank farm was “clean closed” under the RCRA. Oily sludge was solidified in a solidification pan on the concrete pad, and this operation ceased in 2004. Currently truck-to-truck transfer of containerized waste occurs on the concrete pad. These wastes are subsequently transported off-site for treatment and/or disposal at appropriate facilities.

RCRA CA Milestones

To date the following RCRA CA milestones have been completed at the Clean Harbors facility in Prince George, Virginia:

- **8/30/05** – Meeting and CA Site Visit was conducted at the Clean Harbors facility in Price George, Virginia between representatives from EPA Region III, DEQ, USACE, and Clean Harbors. The purpose of meeting and CA Site Visit was to discuss the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Corrective Action (CA) Program and the Facility Lead Agreement (FLA), perform a site assessment of the facility, and identify

